

Grand Clearance Sale.

EVERYTHING in Summer Dress Goods must be sold regardless of cost. We will not carry over a single yard if price is any object. There is nothing among the line that is not stylish, desirable patterns. No accumulation of years that we would be glad to give away but all fresh goods bought for this seasons trade.

GENT'S SUMMER WEAR.

EVERYTHING in Gents Summer Wear must go to make room for our large fall purchase. Cost will be no object. All we want now is to get rid of the odds and ends that have accumulated during the seasons trade. Come and see for yourself. We will save you 25 per cent on any purchase you may make.

J. A. REHN.

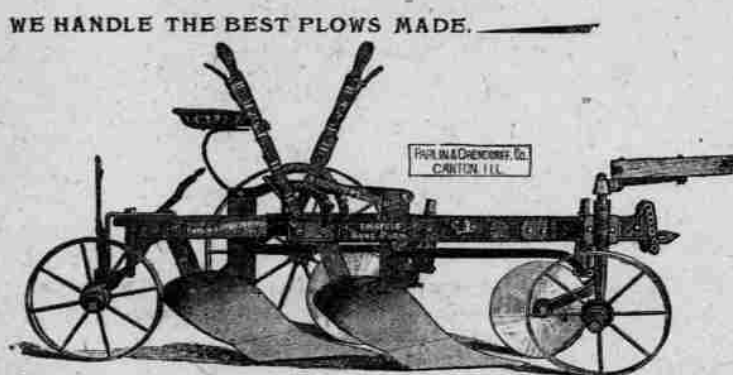
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THE GREAT BEND IMPLEMENT CO.

FOR

OLD HICKORY AND MITCHEL WAGONS

The most reliable wagons made.



Gang Plows, Walking Plows, Subsoilers etc.

Our line of Threshing machines, Feed mills, Wind mills, Pumps, Hardware and Implements of all kinds cannot be surpassed for worth, durability and cheapness.

The Great Bend Implement Co.

It Is An ACTUAL FACT

We are too Busy

Moving our Drug Stock into our new room on Forest avenue [first door west of the Brinkman bank] to write an ad this week.

JUST REMEMBER

That we are better prepared to sell you Groceries, Hardware, Drugs, Medicines, Paints, Vegetables, Glassware, Tinware, etc., at the

LOWEST PRICE

Than any store in town. Call and see us back up this assertion.

CHAS. LUNDBLADE.

F. LIGHTFOOT, M. D.

SURGEON; Office hours from 9 to 12 o'clock a. m.

SPECIALTIES:

Diseases of Women, Piles and Catarrh.
Office, Over Hoopers Drug Store.

ED. G. McNOWN,

MEAT MARKET

WEST FOREST AVENUE.

Fresh and Salt Meats. Live Stock Bought and Sold.

GREAT BEND, KANSAS.

The First Worthless Horse.

Last week a Burlington freight train struck a horse near Grafton, and the animal was killed as dead as a smelt. The engineer of the train promptly wired in a report of the accident and the Burlington claim agent hastened to Grafton to square the matter. The agent learned that the horse had belonged to an old Swede, farmer named Peterson, and at once drove out to see him about it.

"Mr. Peterson," remarked the claim agent, "I have come out here to settle with you for the horse that was killed by one of our engines. I have learned that your horse was a very breechy animal and that it jumped the right-of-way fence and wandered upon our track. Now, Mr. Peterson, we could go into court and prove 'contributory negligence,' 'malicious trespass,' and 'breach of the peace' on the part of your horse, but we do not care to have any litigation. We are willing to settle this matter out of court if possible."

"Ay tank we mak' a settlement poaty quick," said the old farmer. "Ay ban wantin' dat ol' hoss killed for a year. Ay tank you hav' done poaty goot an' Ay pay you \$2."

The claim agent was thunder struck.

"Pay us for killing your horse?" he exclaimed.

"Ay tank you earn dat money."

"Mr. Peterson," said the claim agent, in an awe-struck tone of voice, "That is the first worthless horse the Burlington railroad ever killed. It has always been our misfortune to kill Morgans, Hambletons, Clydesdales, and Percherons. With your permission I will have that horse hide stuffed and placed in our museum of curiosities. And we must have your photograph. When you want to travel to any point reached by our lines let me know and we'll carry you free of charge and feel under obligations to you."

They Must Sober Up.

A prominent silver republican of this county the other day told me this story, which I think is quite apropos: I see the News has promised amnesty to all silver republicans who will repent and come back and help elect the republican county ticket this fall. This reminds me of a little incident which occurred in Ohio, a number of years ago. An old farmer got on a roaring drunk and out of a spirit of pure cussedness fell upon his son, who had done no wrong, and whipped him unmercifully. Shortly after the old man was walking unsteadily along the bank of a canal when he slipped and fell. As he was about to slide into the water, he clutched a mullein stalk that grew on the bank. The stalk was sufficient to keep him from falling further but was not strong enough to enable him to pull himself out. There he hung, his coat tails just touching the water. At this juncture he espied his son with a hoe on his shoulder, going to work in a field near by. He called to him. The boy came over and took in the situation at a glance. Did he like a dutiful son rush to the rescue of his dear old father and hold out the hoe handle, so that the old man could grasp it and pull himself out? Not much. He cut the mullein stalk, and as the old man slipped into the water, said, "Take that, and sober up, you drunken old fool." I am in favor of cutting the mullein stalk, and giving the bosses in this county a ducking, to see if it will not sober them up a little. —Hutchinson Saturday Bee.

They're Full of Wind.

We have often wondered why the tramps did not bother the DEMOCRAT office for "a few old exchanges please Mister" as much as they do the Register and Tribune offices. The following from an exchange explains the phenomenon:

The hobo who comes to the printing office and calls for exchanges has a new explanation for the use of them, when asked if he wants the old papers in order to read the society notes or find the location of a bath house. "Naw," he replies, "de side door sleepers on dese rail-roads are so dirty that we want 'em to put on de floor to keep our clothes clean, see? Give us republican sheet if yer got any there. Dere softer, de arguments ain't de cold kind wot knocks you silly; and de points don't stick out enough to hurt, see? It's just like settin' on a pneumatic bed, der's so much wind about 'em."

Something happened to the DEMOCRAT last week that has not happened before for about two years—it had no advertisement for the "Cyclone" store in its columns. Our readers made such a kick about it, that we have made Ed Marx promise to not get sick and let the omission occur again.

Democratic Committee Meeting.

Great Bend, Kansas, July 17, 1897. A meeting of the Democratic Central Committee for Barton county is hereby called, to be held at the office of Jas. W. Clarke, in the Fair block, Great Bend, at 2 p. m., Saturday, August 7th, 1897, for the purpose of calling a county convention to nominate candidates for county officers. The good of the party organization demands that every member of the committee be present.

WILL E. STOKES, Chairman.
W. P. FEDER, Secretary.

Green shoes for everybody at the "Cyclone."

The medicine conglomeration is still holding forth for the amusement of the public and the financial advancement of the aggregation.

Joseph Schneider, of near Albert, was in town Monday. Mr. Schneider says he has already threshed 2,800 bushels of wheat that test 59 pounds to the bushel, and he will have altogether 5,000 bushels. His wheat will yield from 20 to 26 bushels to the acre. On Monday he was offered 52 cents a bushel for his entire crop, if delivered immediately.

"Whoop la!" exclaimed a big, broad shouldered harvest hand who had come to town to trade some of his hard cash for liquid trouble fertilizer; "Whoop-la! I am a bad man from Bitter creek! I'm a bucking broncho hard to curry, and I'm hunting trouble!" Just about that time he got it, for Uncle Dick fetched him one with a bum persuader, and carried him off to the cooler.

Attention Threshers.

We have a full and complete stock of lubricating oils at bed-rock prices. See us before you buy.

GREAT BEND IMPLEMENT CO.

Just while you think about it send us a bundle of your laundry work and be convinced that our work is as good as the best. Our prices are for shirts any kind 10c; cuffs per pair 6c; collars 3c; ladies shirt waists 15c or two for 25c. At River Side Steam Laundry.

PRITCHARD & SONS, Props.

For Sale.

A five-hich Centrifugal pump, Fairbanks & Morse manufacturers. Address Mrs. S. H. Holmes, P. O. Box 463, Great Bend, Kansas, or enquire on premises 5 miles west of town, south of railroad.

CHEAP TICKETS.

A Few of the Points to Which the Santa Fe Route will Sell Cheap Round Trip Tickets.

Nashville, Tennessee, rate \$30.20. Final limit November 7th. On sale daily for the Tennessee Centennial. For further particulars of these and other excursions call upon or address W. TORREY, Agt. Santa Fe Route.

LEGAL NOTICES.

[First published in the Democrat July 15, 1897.]
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION FOR PROOF OF WILL.

The State of Kansas, } ss.
Barton County, }
Estate of Dorothea Marquardt, deceased.
To Ernst Schmalian and Charlotte Dampff and the heirs of Bertha Schmalian, (names unknown), known heirs at law of Dorothea Marquardt late of said county, deceased, and all others concerned:
You are hereby notified, that at a regular term of the Probate Court of Barton county, Kansas, held on the 6th day of July 1897 there was opened and publicly read an instrument of writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Dorothea Marquardt late of said county, deceased; and you are further notified, that the 9th day of August 1897 has been set as the day for the final hearing and proof of said Will, at which time all persons interested may appear and show cause why the same should not be admitted to probate.

[SEAL]
L. C. BARNES
Probate Judge.

[First published in the Democrat June 24, 1897.]
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Dodge City Kansas,
June 21, 1897.
Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Probate Judge of Barton County, Kansas at Great Bend, Kansas, on July 31, 1897, viz: Ora A. Brewer H. E. 11655 (L. S.) for the south-east quarter, Section 24 Town 15 N. and 12 Range 18 W.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz:
James B. Underwood
Christ C. Corcoran,
William F. Shuler,
Frank M. Hall, all of Holistington, Kansas.
JOHN I. LEE,
Register.



RAILROAD TIME TABLES.

ATCHINSON, TOPEKA & SANTA FE.

GOING EAST.
No. 6, Eastern Ex. 9:07 a. m.
No. 8, Atlantic Ex. 5:28 p. m.
No. 74, way freight 12:10 p. m.
GOING WEST.
No. 5, Colorado and Utah Ex. 7:52 p. m.
No. 7, Kansas City & Jettmore Express. 9:07 a. m.
No. 78 Way Freight 10:30 a. m.

CHICAGO, KANSAS & WESTERN.
LEAVES.
Express 9:20 a. m.
Arrives 5:40 p. m.
W. M. TORREY, Agent.

3 and 6 daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

MISSOURI PACIFIC.

ARRIVES.
St. Louis Express 10:50 p. m.
Colorado Express 7:05 a. m.
DEPARTS.
St. Louis Express 5:30 a. m.
Colorado Express 9:10 p. m.
All trains daily.
J. RASOR, Agent.

NEW CIGAR FACTORY

JOE TROILLET, Proprietor.
Pure Leaf & Skilled Work.
Also carry a full line of Candles, Nuts, Fruits and Confections.
FOREST AVENUE, GREAT BEND, KANS.

COAL.

If you will consult your own interests when in need of

Any Kind of Coal

You will be sure to see

ALLISON BR'S.

GREAT BEND, KANSAS.

New Bakery and Restaurant.

IN THE ALLEN BLOCK—Third door west of the Brinkman Bank.

Fine Bread, Pies and Cakes.

All who need anything in this line are requested to give this house a sample order at the earliest opportunity.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

Adam Trietsch, Prop.

Ira B. Bartle, M. D.

P. J. Bartle, M. D.

BARTLE BROS.

PHYSICIANS & SURGEONS.

Office: Rooms 11 and 12 over Cyclone.

Hours: 9 to 12 a. m.; 1:30 to 5; 7:30 to 8:30 p. m.

Residence 4 blocks east of Hotel Greene.

Great Bend, Kansas.

Wanted—An Idea

Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Write JOHN W. WEDDERBURN & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their \$1.50 prize offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

OLDEST BANK IN CENTRAL KANSAS.

THE J. V. BRINKMAN COMPANY BANK.

ESTABLISHED IN 1874. COUNTY DEPOSITORY.

CAPITAL, \$50,000.00. SURPLUS, \$15,000.00.

J. V. BRINKMAN, President. LOUIS ZUTAVERN, Cashier.

J. G. BRINKMAN, Vice Pres. CHAS. V. BRINKMAN, Asst. Cash.

Interest Paid by Time Deposit

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK.

Established 1880... CAPITAL, \$50,000.00. SURPLUS, \$6,500.00.

Individual Responsibility Over One-half Million Dollars.

We solicit your business, and will grant you every accommodation consistent with legitimate banking. Special attention given to collecting.

All the News

Worth Reading,

LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL,

Will be found in

THE DEMOCRAT

AND THE

CINCINNATI

WEEKLY ENQUIRER.

We have arranged a Clubbing rate by which we can give

Both papers one year for \$1.25.

Regular price for both is 1.75.

You can save 50 cents on the two by ordering the two at once. Send or bring the cash, to

"The Democrat," Great Bend, Kans.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.